GAZETTE DATE : 16.12.2024 LAST DATE : 15.01.2025 CATEGORY NO: 471/2024

Applications are invited online only from qualified candidates for selection to the undermentioned post. Applications must be submitted online only through the official website of the Kerala Public Service Commission after "ONE TIME REGISTRATION". Candidates who have already registered can apply through their profile.

| 1. | Name of Department | : Fire and Rescue Services |
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2. Name of Post : Fire and Rescue Officer (Trainee)

Note: Women and Differently Abled candidates are not eligible to apply in response to this notification

- 3. Scale of pay : ₹ 27,900 63,700/-
- 4. Number of vacancies : Anticipated Vacancies
- **Note:** (i) The Ranked List of candidates published by the Commission in response to this notification shall cease to be in force after one year from the date of finalization of Ranked List. Candidates will be advised from the said list against the vacancies that may be reported and pending before the Commission and the vacancies that may be reported to the Commission during the period of the currency of the list.
 - (ii) The name, age limit and qualification of this post has been prescribed as per G.O.(P).No. 99/88/Home dated 17.08.1988, G.O.(P).No.110/90/Home dated 27.07.1990, G.O.(P) No.243/2014/Home dated 26.11.2014, G.O.(Ms) No.185/2019/ Home dated 23.11.2019, etc.
- 5. Method of appointment : Direct Recruitment
- **6.** Age limit : 18-26.

Only candidates born between 02.01.1998 and 01.01.2006 (both dates included) are eligible to apply for this post.

Other Backward Communities, Scheduled Caste converts and SC/ST candidates are eligible for usual age relaxation as provided under sub rule (c) of the Rule 10 of the General rules. Other conditions regarding the age relaxation are not applicable to this post.

7. Qualifications:

I) Educational Qualifications:-

Pass in Plus Two or its equivalent.

Preferential : Diploma in Computer Application

(Link) EQUIVALENT / HIGHER QUALIFICATION

- Note: (a) KS&SSR Part-II Rule 10 (a) (ii) is applicable.
 - (b) In addition to the qualifications prescribed in the Notification, the qualifications recognized by executive orders or standing orders of Government as equivalent to a qualification specified for a post, in the special rules or found acceptable by the Commission in cases where acceptance of equivalent qualifications is provided for in the rules and such of those qualifications which pre-suppose the acquisition of the lower qualification prescribed for the post, shall also be sufficient for the post. The copy of the Government Orders declaring equivalent/ higher qualifications shall be produced as and when required by the Commission.
 - II) Physical Qualification:-

A) The Candidates must be physically fit and should possess the following minimum physical standards as prescribed below

| | | For General Candidates | For SC/ST Candidates |
|-------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| (i) | Height (bare foot) | 165 cms | 160 cms |
| (ii) | Weight | 50 Kgs | 48 Kgs |
| (iii) | Chest | 81 cms | 76 cms |
| (iv) | Chest Expansion | 5 cms | 5 cms |

III) Must have proficiency in swimming.

- **Note:** The proficiency in swimming will be tested by a practical test conducted by the Commission. The following are the criteria for the swimming test.
 - (i) 50 m swimming trial to be completed within two minutes.
 - (ii) Two minutes floating ability at the deeper side of the swimming pool.

Candidate must qualify both the events to be considered as qualified in the swimming test.

IV) Visual Standards

Must possess the Visual Standards specified below without glasses.

| | | Right Eye | Left Eye |
|-------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|
| (i) | Distant vision | 6/6 snellen | 6/6 snellen |
| (ii) | Near vision | 0.5 snellen | 0.5 snellen |
| (iii) | Field of Vision | Full | Full |

Note: (a) Each Eye must have a Full Field of Vision

- (b) Colour Blindness, Squint or any Morbid Conditions of the Eye or Lids of either Eye shall be a disqualification for appointment.
- (c) Candidates should produce a Medical Certificate issued by a Medical Officer not below the rank of a Civil Surgeon as to the candidate's physique, fitness and capacity for rough outdoor work and also of the visual standards. Candidates should produce Medical Certificate in original in the following format as and when called for by the Commission.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE

[to be obtained from a Medical Officer not below the rank of a Civil Surgeon Gr II]

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I have this day, medically examined Sri.....

| I. STANDARDS OF VISION (without glasses) | | |
|--|-----------|------------------------------------|
| | Right Eye | Left Eye |
| 1. Distant Vision | Snellen | Snellen |
| 2. Near Vision | Snellen | Snellen |
| 3. Field of Vision | | |
| [Specify whether Full or Not] | | her Full or Not] |
| | | erage' etc., will be inappropriate |
| | here) | |
| 4. Colour Blindness | | |
| 5. Squint | | |
| 6. Any morbid conditions of the eye or lid of either eye | | |
| II. IDENTIFICATION MARKS | | |
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I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the applicant Sri..... is the person herein above described and that the attached photograph has a reasonably correct likeness.

Photo of the Candidate

Signature Name & Designation of the Medical Officer

(The signature of the Medical officer shall be affixed on the photograph leaving the face clear). Place: Date:

(Office Seal)

Note:- Details regarding Standards of vision should be clearly stated in the Certificate, as given above. Vague statements such as vision "normal", "good", "average" etc., will not be accepted. Specification for each eye should be stated separately. If the specifications are not as indicated above, the Certificate will not be accepted.

V) Physical Efficiency Test:-

Candidates must qualify in at least 5 out of 8 items in the physical efficiency test of National One Star standard showing the minimum standards of efficiency as noted below.

| Sl.No. | Events | Minimum Standards of Efficiency |
|--------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | 100 Metres Run | 14 Seconds |
| 2 | High Jump | 132.20 cm |
| 3 | Long Jump | 457.20 cm |
| 4 | Putting the Shot (7264 gms) | 609.60 cm |

| 5 | Throwing the Cricket Ball | 6096 cm |
|---|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| 6 | Rope Climbing (only with hands) | 365.80 cm |
| 7 | Pull ups or chinning | 8 times |
| 8 | 1500 Metres Run | 5 Minutes & 44 seconds |

- **Note:** (a) The Physical Measurement of the candidates will be taken prior to the Physical Efficiency Test and those who do not possess the prescribed Physical Measurements will not be admitted for the Physical Efficiency Test.
 - (b) If accidents or injuries happen to a candidate while participating in the Physical Efficiency Test, he will not be given further chance to participate in the test.

8. Preferential :-

Other conditions being equal, the Home Guard Volunteers who have completed a tenure of three years in that organizations and who have satisfactorily undergone training in Fire Fighting during the period of tenure shall be treated as having preferential qualification for direct recruitment to this post.

9. Probation:-

Every person appointed to the post shall from the date on which he joins duty after he completes the training and examination will be on probation for a period of two years on duty within a continuous period of three years.

10. Training:-

- Training for a period of 6 months in the State Fire Service Training School or in any other institution as may be fixed, and pass the examination in the subject prescribed for the course.
- II) After the above training six months practical training at a Fire Station and a pass in the examination in the subjects prescribed for the course.
- Note:- (i) A written and practical test shall be conducted during the last fortnight of the period of training, those who fail to qualify in either one or both tests shall have their training extended for a further period of one month, at the end of which they shall be tested again in the subjects in which they failed. The Director of Fire & Rescue Services shall allow a third chance to pass the course to all Fire and Rescue Officer recruits who fail at the re-test.
 - (ii) Seniority among persons recruited direct who have qualified in the test conducted by Fire and Rescue Services Academy shall be determined on the basis of effective advice of the Kerala Public Service Commission and they shall be appointed to service on the basis of seniority list, only after completion of successful training.

11. Bond:-

Person appointed by direct recruitment to the post of Fire and Rescue Officer shall execute a bond, binding himself to service in the department for a period of 7 years and to pay to Government an amount as prescribed by government, in case of failure to serve in the department for the said post.

12. Mode of Submitting applications:

(A) Candidates shall register as per 'ONE TIME REGISTRATION ' system on the Official Website of Kerala Public Service Commission 'www.keralapsc.gov.in' for applying for the post. Candidates who have registered shall apply by logging on to their profile using their User- ID and password. Candidates shall click on the 'Apply Now' button of the respective posts in the Notification link for applying for a post. The candidate who have created new profile should upload photograph which is taken within six months. Name of the candidate and date of photograph taken should be printed legibly at the bottom portion. The photograph once uploaded meeting all requirements shall be valid for 10 years from the date of uploading. There is no change in other instructions regarding the uploading of photographs. No application fee is required. Candidates are responsible for the correctness of the personal information and secrecy of password. Before applying for a post, candidates must ensure correctness of the information in their profile. They must quote the User- ID for further communication with the Commission. Applications once submitted will be received as provi-

sional and particulars cannot be deleted or altered after submission. Candidates are advised to keep a printout or soft copy of the online application for future reference. Candidates can take the printout of the application by clicking on the link 'My applications' in their profile. All correspondences with the Commission, regarding the application should be accompanied with the print out of the application. Applications submitted not in accordance with the conditions of the notification will be summarily rejected if non compliance with the notification is found in due course of processing. Original documents to prove qualification, experience, community, age, etc., have to be produced as and when called for.

- (B) If written/OMR/Online Test is conducted as part of this selection, candidates possessing requisite qualification as per Para 7 above alone shall submit a Confirmation for writing the examination through their One Time Registration profiles. Such candidates alone can generate and download the Admission Tickets in the last 15 days till the date of Test. The application of candidates who do not submit confirmation within the stipulated period, will be rejected absolutely. The periods regarding the submission of confirmation and the availability of admission tickets will be published in the examination calendar itself. Information in this regard will given to the candidates in their respective profiles and in the mobile phones registered in it.
- (C) The Examination Schedule and the Syllabus will be notified separately. The Tentative Schedule of the Physcial Efficiency test will be published on 15th January 2025.
- (D) Candidates who have AADHAAR card should add AADHAAR card as ID Proof in their profile.
- 13. Last date for submission of applications :- 15.01.2025 Wednesday upto 12.00 midnight.
- 14. Address to which applications are to be submitted: <u>www.keralapsc.gov.in</u>

15. Special Instructions to Candidates:-

- (A) In the case of difference in caste/ community claimed in the application and that entered in SSLC book, the candidate shall produce a Gazette notification in this regard, along with Non Creamy Layer Certificate/ Community Certificate at the time of Certificate Verification.
- (B) Candidates are required to acquaint themselves with the instructions given in the notification as Part-II, General Conditions before submitting application for the post. Applications which are not submitted in accordance with the terms and conditions laid down in the General Conditions are liable to be rejected.
- (C) Appropriate disciplinary action as per Rule 22 of the Kerala Public Service Commission Rules of Procedure shall be initiated against those candidates who submit applications with bogus claims of qualification regarding education, experience etc., and are liable to be disqualified for being considered for a particular post or debarment from applying to the Commission either permanently or for any period or the invalidation of their answer scripts or products in a written/ practical test or the initiation of criminal or other proceedings against them or their removal or dismissal from office or the ordering of any other disciplinary action against them if they have already been appointed, or any one or more of the above.

(For details including photo, ID card etc., refer the General Conditions given in Part II of the Gazette Notification)

SAJU GEORGE SECRETARY KERALA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION